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In re National Stage of PCT Application No. PCT/FR99/01865 of: Group Art Unit: 1751 Christine RONDEAU Examiner: E. Elhilo Application No.: 09/529,835 International Filing Date: July 28, 1999 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) Date: May 9, 2000 **GROUP 1700** DYEING COMPOSITION FOR APR 2 4 2003 KERATINOUS FIBRES WITH DIRECT CATIONIC COLOURING

AMMONIUM SALT

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of October 23, 2002. A fee of \$930.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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